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In re Application of :
Zeygerman et al. : DECISION ON
Application No. 10/676,553 : PETITION
Filed: October 1, 2003 :
Atty Docket No. TAI-14/30536 :

This is a decision on the "PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT," filed May 1, 2006.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file corrected drawings as required by, and within the three-month period set in, the Notice of Allowability mailed August 17, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on April 26, 2006.

Applicants promptly filed the instant petition on the basis that applicants previously submitted formal drawings on October 25, 2004, and by Office action mailed March 22, 2005, the examiner accepted the drawings. Further, applicants responded to the Notice of Allowability, timely filing on August 31, 2005 a statement that the formal drawings had previously been filed and accepted.

The petition includes a copy of applicants' response to the Notice of Allowability and a copy of the facsimile confirmation of that response. This evidence is persuasive that applicants timely responded, as stated, to the Notice of Allowability. Further, the examiner has confirmed that the requirement for corrected drawings set forth in the Notice of Allowability was made in error, no corrected drawings are required and the drawings filed October 25, 2004 are, as stated by applicants, accepted by the examiner. It is concluded that under the

circumstances withdrawal of the holding of abandonment is warranted.

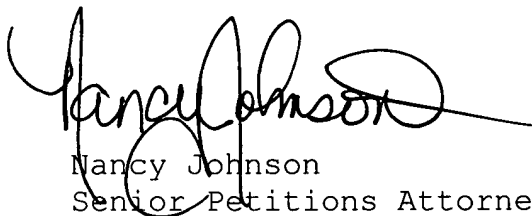
In view thereof, the Notice of Abandonment mailed April 26, 2006 is **VACATED** and the holding of abandonment is hereby **WITHDRAWN**.

The petition under § 1.181 is **GRANTED**.

No fee is required on petition under § 1.181.

Technology Center AU 1725 has been advised of this decision. The application file is, thereby, forwarded to the Technology Center's technical support staff to withdraw the holding of abandonment and thereafter, forward the application to the Office of Patent Publication for processing into a patent.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3219.

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